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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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| X | X 27 Sheets of Drawings | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | This application is being filed without an executed Declaration. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| , X | | Priority is claimed from <u>Japanese</u> Application No. <u>2000-302518</u> filed <u>October 2, 2000</u> . A certified copy is attached herewith. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and discussed in the specification or attached Information Disclosure Statement. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N M | A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| X | Specification: Abstract X , Description 73 pages; and 23 claim(s). | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Preliminary Amendment. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Executed Declaration. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Multiple Dependent Claim (s) | | | | | | \$ | | | + 270 . | \$ | 0 | |
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| | Respectfully Submitted, | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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